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PERSON CHARACTERISTICS
(Place of usual residence)

PERSON CHARACTERISTICS	Selected Region	% of total persons in Region	Australia	% of total persons in Australia
Total persons (excluding overseas visitors)	15,036	-	19,855,288	-
Males	8,942	59.5%	9,799,252	49.4%
Females	6,094	40.5%	10,056,036	50.6%
Indigenous persons (comprises Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)	113	0.8%	455,031	2.3%

In the 2006 Census (held on 8th August 2006), there were 15,036 persons usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb): 59.5% were males and 40.5% were females. Of the total population in Surry Hills (Suburb) 0.8% were Indigenous persons, compared with 2.3% Indigenous persons in Australia.

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AGE	Selected Region	% of total persons in Region	Australia	% of total persons in Australia
Age groups:				
0-4 years	357	2.4%	1,260,405	6.3%
5-14 years	347	2.3%	2,676,807	13.5%
15-24 years	1,970	13.1%	2,704,276	13.6%
25-54 years	10,029	66.7%	8,376,751	42.2%
55-64 years	1,029	6.8%	2,192,675	11.0%
65 years and over	1,305	8.7%	2,644,374	13.3%
Median age of persons	33	-	37	-

In the 2006 Census 4.7% of the population usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) were children aged between 0-14 years, and 15.5% were persons aged 55 years and over. The median age of persons in Surry Hills (Suburb) was 33 years, compared with 37 years for persons in Australia.

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SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS	Selected Region	% of total persons in Region	Australia	% of total persons in Australia
Australian citizenship	8,374	55.7%	17,095,569	86.1%
Persons born overseas	5,178	34.4%	4,416,037	22.2%
Overseas visitors (excluded from all other classifications)	570	3.8%	206,358	1.0%

In the 2006 Census, 55.7% of persons usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) were Australian citizens, 34.4% were born overseas and 3.8% were overseas visitors.

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COUNTRY OF BIRTH MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION	Selected Region	% of total persons in Region	Australia	% of total persons in Australia
Australia	5,997	39.9%	14,072,944	70.9%
England	780	5.2%	856,939	4.3%
New Zealand	586	3.9%	389,463	2.0%
China	429	2.9%	206,591	1.0%
Thailand	223	1.5%	30,551	0.2%
Korea, Republic of	184	1.2%	52,760	0.3%

In the 2006 Census, 39.9% of persons usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) stated they were born in Australia. Other common responses within Surry Hills (Suburb) were: England 5.2%, New Zealand 3.9%, China 2.9%, Thailand 1.5% and Korea, Republic of 1.2%.

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION	Selected Region	% of total persons in Region	Australia	% of total persons in Australia
English only spoken at home	8,156	54.2%	15,581,333	78.5%
Cantonese	416	2.8%	244,553	1.2%
Mandarin	322	2.1%	220,601	1.1%
Thai	210	1.4%	23,641	0.1%
Greek	175	1.2%	252,220	1.3%
Korean	168	1.1%	54,621	0.3%

In the 2006 Census, English was stated as the only language spoken at home by 54.2% of persons usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb). The most common languages other than English spoken at home were: Cantonese 2.8%, Mandarin 2.1%, Thai 1.4%, Greek 1.2% and Korean 1.1%.

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RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION	Selected Region	% of total persons in Region	Australia	% of total persons in Australia
No Religion	3,860	25.7%	3,706,557	18.7%
Catholic	2,608	17.3%	5,126,882	25.8%
Anglican	1,373	9.1%	3,718,248	18.7%
Buddhism	744	4.9%	418,755	2.1%
Eastern Orthodox	332	2.2%	544,165	2.7%

In the 2006 Census, the most common responses for religious affiliation for persons usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) were No Religion 25.7%, Catholic 17.3%, Anglican 9.1%, Buddhism 4.9% and Eastern Orthodox 2.2%.

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MARITAL STATUS (Population aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region	% of persons aged 15 years and over in Region	Australia	% of persons aged 15 years and over in Australia
Married	2,657	18.5%	7,900,684	49.6%
Never married	9,705	67.7%	5,278,600	33.2%
Separated or divorced	1,502	10.5%	1,801,979	11.3%
Widowed	471	3.3%	936,813	5.9%

In the 2006 Census, 18.5% of persons aged 15 years and over usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) were married, 67.7% never married, 10.5% separated or divorced and 3.3% widowed.

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LABOUR FORCE (Population aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region	% of persons in the labour force in Region	Australia	% of persons in the labour force in Australia
Total labour force (includes employed and	8,348	-	9,607,987	-

unemployed persons)				
Employed full-time	5,921	70.9%	5,827,432	60.7%
Employed part-time	1,674	20.1%	2,685,193	27.9%
Employed away from work	241	2.9%	337,991	3.5%
Employed hours not stated	111	1.3%	253,567	2.6%
Unemployed	401	4.8%	503,804	5.2%
Not in the labour force	2,419	-	5,271,116	-

During the week prior to the 2006 Census, 8,348 people aged 15 years and over who were usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) were in the labour force. Of these, 70.9% were employed full-time, 20.1% were employed part-time, 2.9% were employed but away from work, 1.3% were employed but did not state their hours worked and 4.8% were unemployed. There were 2,419 usual residents aged 15 years and over not in the labour force.

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OCCUPATION (Employed persons aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Region	Australia	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Australia
Professionals	3,145	39.6%	1,806,010	19.8%
Managers	1,293	16.3%	1,202,267	13.2%
Clerical and Administrative Workers	1,063	13.4%	1,365,805	15.0%
Community and Personal Service Workers	684	8.6%	801,906	8.8%
Sales Workers	596	7.5%	896,208	9.8%
Technicians and Trades Workers	579	7.3%	1,309,258	14.4%
Labourers	341	4.3%	952,520	10.5%
Machinery Operators And Drivers	104	1.3%	604,616	6.6%

In the 2006 Census, the most common responses for occupation for employed persons usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) were Professionals 39.6%, Managers 16.3%, Clerical and Administrative Workers 13.4%, Community and Personal Service Workers 8.6% and Sales Workers 7.5%.

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INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYMENT (Employed persons aged 15 years and over) **MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION**	Selected Region	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Region	Australia	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Australia
Cafes, Restaurants and Takeaway Food Services	454	5.7%	328,521	3.6%
Legal and Accounting Services	372	4.7%	185,423	2.0%
Auxiliary Finance and Investment Services	307	3.9%	87,520	1.0%
Computer System Design and Related Services	272	3.4%	106,039	1.2%
Hospitals	270	3.4%	303,923	3.3%

In the 2006 Census, the most common industries of employment for persons aged 15 years and over usually resident in Surry Hills (Suburb) were Cafes, Restaurants and Takeaway Food Services 5.7%, Legal and Accounting Services 4.7%, Auxiliary Finance and Investment Services 3.9%, Computer System Design and Related Services 3.4% and Hospitals 3.4%.

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INCOME (Population aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region		Australia	
Median individual income ($/weekly)	784	-	466	-
Median household income ($/weekly)	1,374	-	1,027	-
Median family income ($/weekly)	2,004	-	1,171	-

In Surry Hills (Suburb), the median weekly individual income for persons aged 15 years and over who were usual residents was $784, compared with $466 in Australia. The median weekly household income was $1,374, compared with $1,027 in Australia. The median weekly family

income was $2,004, compared with $1,171 in Australia.

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FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS

FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS	Selected Region	% of total families in Region	Australia	% of total families in Australia
Total families	2,430	-	5,219,165	-
Couple families with children	347	14.3%	2,362,582	45.3%
Couple families without children	1,756	72.3%	1,943,643	37.2%
One parent families	199	8.2%	823,254	15.8%
Other families	128	5.3%	89,686	1.7%

In the 2006 Census, there were 2,430 families in Surry Hills (Suburb): 14.3% were couple families with children, 72.3% were couple families without children, 8.2% were one parent families and 5.3% were other families.

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DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS

DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS - PRIVATE DWELLINGS (Includes Visitor only and other not classifiable households)	Selected Region	% of total occupied private dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total occupied private dwellings in Australia
Total private dwellings (includes unoccupied private dwellings)	8,622	-	8,426,559	-
Occupied private dwellings:	7,927	-	7,596,183	-
Separate house	94	1.2%	5,685,387	74.8%
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc	1,942	24.5%	702,550	9.2%
Flat, unit or apartment	5,785	73.0%	1,076,315	14.2%
Other dwellings	106	1.3%	127,337	1.7%
Not stated	0	0.0%	4,594	0.1%

In the 2006 Census there were 7,927 occupied private dwellings counted in Surry Hills (Suburb): 1.2% were separate houses, 24.5% were semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses etc, 73.0% were flats, units or apartments and 1.3% were other dwellings.

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DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS	Selected Region		Australia	
Median rent ($/weekly)	335	-	190	-
Median housing loan repayment ($/monthly)	2,104	-	1,300	-
Average household size	1.8	-	2.6	-
Average number of persons per bedroom	1.2	-	1.1	-

In Surry Hills (Suburb), the median weekly rent was $335, compared to $190 in Australia. The median monthly housing loan repayment was $2,104, compared to $1,300 in Australia. The average household size was 1.8 and the average number of persons per bedroom was 1.2.

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TENURE TYPE - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS	Selected Region	% of total occupied private dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total occupied private dwellings in Australia
Fully owned	697	8.8%	2,478,264	32.6%
Being purchased (includes being purchased under rent/buy scheme)	1,324	16.7%	2,448,205	32.2%
Rented (includes rent-free)	3,806	48.0%	2,063,947	27.2%
Other tenure type	32	0.4%	65,715	0.9%
Not stated	2,066	26.1%	540,050	7.1%

In Surry Hills (Suburb), 8.8% of occupied private dwellings were fully owned, 16.7% were being purchased and 48.0% were rented.

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HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS	Selected Region	% of total occupied private dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total occupied private dwellings in Australia
Family household	2,423	30.6%	5,122,760	67.4%
Lone person household	2,615	33.0%	1,740,481	22.9%
Group household	951	12.0%	280,856	3.7%

In the 2006 Census in Surry Hills (Suburb), 30.6% of occupied private dwellings were family households, 33.0% were lone person households and 12.0% were group households.

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LANDLORD TYPE - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS BEING RENTED (including rent free accommodation)	Selected Region	% of total rented dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total rented dwellings in Australia
Real estate agent	2,447	64.3%	1,043,198	50.5%
State or Territory housing authority	677	17.8%	306,697	14.9%
Other landlord type	626	16.4%	652,012	31.6%
Landlord type not stated	53	1.4%	62,037	3.0%

In Surry Hills (Suburb), of the occupied private dwellings being rented, 64.3% were rented from a real estate agent, 17.8% were rented from a State or Territory housing authority and 16.4% were rented from other landlord type. In comparison, in Australia 50.5% were rented from a real estate agent and 14.9% from a state or territory housing authority.

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